

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 873
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Allen Claiborne
Vantrease, 2004 Valedictorian of Gallatin High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Allen Claiborne Vantrease is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Gallatin High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Vantrease has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Allen Vantrease has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, lending his support to numerous organizations, Allen is a member of the National Honor Society, which he serves as Treasurer, Tennessee Tomorrow, which he serves as Vice President, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, which he serves as President and Huddle Leader, and Tri-Hi-Y; and

WHEREAS, highly respected by his fellow classmates, Allen was chosen as Beau of the Month and is a participant in the Performer's Band; and

WHEREAS, excelling in athletics as well as in the classroom, Allen Vantrease has played an integral part on the varsity tennis, cross-country, and track teams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vantrease's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, valuing the benefits of higher education, Mr. Vantrease plans to attend Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vantrease's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Katrina and Buddy Vantrease, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Allen Vantrease's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Gallatin High School Valedictorian, Allen Claiborne Vantrease, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.